GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
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WATERSHED MANAGEMENT SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the States where integrated Watershed Management Scheme is being implemented withCentral assistance to plant trees as a soil conservation measure in the catchment area of the rivers prone to floods;

(b) whether some State Governments have submitted such schemes to the Union Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether funds have been sanctioned for the implementation of the schemes after approval by the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

(SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a): A Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely Integrated Watershed Management incatchments of Flood Prone Rivers (FPR) was launched in VI Five Year Plan for treatment ofcatchment areas of Flood Prone Rivers. At present the scheme is being implemented in ten States viz. Assam, Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, PunjabRajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal covering twelve catchments viz. Ajoy, Banas, Ghaggar, Gomti, Kosi, Punpun, Rupnarain, Sahibi,Singla river, Sone, Upper Ganga and Upper Yamuna. During IX plan this scheme has been merged with another ongoing scheme of SoilConservation in the Catchments of River Valley Projects (RVP) as Soil Conservation forEnhancing Productivity of Degraded Lands in the Catchments of River Valley Projects and Flood Prone Rivers. The outlay for IX Plan is Rs.600 crore to treat 8.7 lakh hectare area.

(b) to (e): Under the scheme, works are being carried out on watershed basis with suitable soil & water conservation measures including tree plantation. The allocation and releases during 1999-2000 are annexed.

(f): Does not arise.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT SHOWING ALLOCATION AND RELEASES DURING 1999-2000 UNDER FLOOD PRONE RIVERS SCHEME

(Rs. in lakh)

S.No.	State	Allocation	Amount Released
1.	Assam	50.00	0.00
2.	Bihar	100.00	0.00
3.	Haryana	250.00	80.00
4.	Himachal Pradesh	400.00	222.00

5. Madhya Pradesh	900.00	800.97
6. Mizoram	50.00	0.00
7. Punjab	50.00	20.00
8. Rajasthan	1000.00	530.00
9. Uttar Pradesh		
i. Agri.	1850.00	1425.13
ii. Forest	400.00	376.00
Sub Total	2250.00	1801.13
10. West Bengal	150.00	0.00
Total	5200.00	3454.10

Shortfall in releases is due to unspent amount available with State Governments and non-submission of the proposal by Assam & Mizoram.